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1. The railroad brigades escorting transports into the USSR were informed that 350 locomotives would be returned to the Soviet Zone Reichsbahn for general circulation These locometives es comprise type #50 (long distance hauls), type #93 (freight trains), and type #41 (passenger trains).

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- 2. It was also intimated that additional locomotives of type #52 (long distance hauls) might be released from the USSR transports, Im theth case the brigades would be allotted engines now used for Russian bound express trains.
- 3. The brigades were told that the locomotives presently being used in the Soviet Zone are in such bad shape that they are beyond repair and that consequently the SMA finally consented to release the above number of engines for the Reichsbahn.

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4. The railroad brigades are to be reduced between from 13 Kolonnen of 35 brigades of 11 men each (5005 men and 455 locomotives) to 3 Kolonnen of 35 brigades of 11 men each (1055 men and 105 engines). The personnel to be released from these brigades will be returned to their original posts from which they were selected for these Soviet transports.

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